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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

This Preliminary Amendment is accompanied by a Reissue Patent Application and its appropriate enclosures for U.S. Patent No. 6,220,555 issued April 24, 2001.

Please amend the applications as follows:

In the claims please amend claims 1, 2, 3 and 6 as follows:

1. (Amended) A display device which has a storage position as a flat sheet and an operative position when folded, such display device comprising:
 - a flat sheet having a display section and a support section, the support section in the storage position including:
 - a base panel with two slots extending from the base panel to the display section;
 - an upper panel and a lower panel located between the two slots, a hinge being located between the upper panel and the lower panel [and a hinge being located between the upper panel and the display section] and a hinge being located between the lower panel and the base panel;
 - a pair of rear panels located adjacent the lower panel, a hinge being located between the rear panels and the base panel; and
 - a pair of front panels located adjacent the upper panel, a pair of hinges between the front panels and the rear panels, the hinges between the front panels and the rear panels being aligned with the hinge between the upper panel and the lower panel, the hinges between the rear panels and the base

panel being aligned with the hinge between the lower panel and the base panel.

2. (Amended) A display device according to claim 1 wherein the support section in the operative position includes the following:

a hinge being located between the upper panel and the display section,
the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel being beneath and adjacent
the hinge between the upper panel and the display section to form a rear leg;
the rear panels being against the front panels forming a pair of front legs; and
the base panel being against the rear leg to support the rear leg.

3. (Amended) A display device which has a storage position as a flat sheet
and an operative position when folded, such display device comprising:

a flat sheet having a top edge and a bottom edge and two side edges, the sheet
having a display section adjacent the top edge and a support section adjacent
the bottom edge, the support section in the storage position including:
a base panel along the bottom edge and having two slots extending from the
base panel to the display section;
an upper panel and a lower panel located between the two slots, [a hinge
between the upper panel and the display section] and a hinge between the
lower panel and the base panel;
a pair of rear panels located between the two side edges and the slots adjacent
the lower panel, a hinge being located between the rear panels and the base
panel; and

a pair of front panels located between the two side edges and the slots adjacent the upper panel, a pair of hinges between the front panels and the rear panels, the hinges between the front panels and the rear panels being aligned with a hinge between the upper panel and the lower panel, the hinge between the rear panels and the base panel being aligned with the hinge between the lower panel and the base panel.

6. (Amended) A display device which has a storage position as a flat sheet and an operative position when folded, such display device comprising:

a flat sheet having a top edge and a bottom edge and two side edges, the sheet having a display section adjacent the top edge and a support section adjacent the bottom edge, the support section in the storage position including:

a base panel along the bottom edge and having two slots extending from the base panel to the display section;

an upper panel and a lower panel located between the two slots, [a hinge between the upper panel and the display section] and a hinge between the lower panel and the base panel and a hinge between the upper panel and the lower panel;

a pair of rear panels located between the two side edges and the slots adjacent the lower panel, a hinge being located between the rear panels and the base panel; and

a pair of front panels located between the two side edges and the slots adjacent the upper panel, a pair of hinges between the front panels and the rear panels, the hinge between the front panels and the rear panels being aligned with the

hinge between the upper panel and the lower panel, the hinges between the rear panels and the base panel being aligned with the hinge between the lower panel and the base panel; and

the support section in the operative position having:

[the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel being beneath and adjacent the hinge between the upper panel and the display section] the lower panel being placed against the upper panel to form a rear leg;
the rear panels being against the front panels forming a pair of front legs; and
the base panel being against the rear leg to support the rear leg.

Please add claims 9 through 16 as follows:

9. A display device according to claim 1 wherein the support section in the operative position includes the following:

an area located between the upper panel and the display panel,
the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel being beneath and adjacent
to the area between the upper panel and the display panel to form a rear leg,
the rear panels being against the front panels forming a pair of front legs; and
the base panel being against the rear leg to support the rear leg,
the resilience of the area between the upper panel and the display section acting
against the base panel, holds the front legs and the rear legs apart to a desired and
an appropriate degree.

10. A display device according to claim 1 wherein the device further
comprises a hinge located between the upper panel and the display section.

11. A display device according to claim 1 wherein an area located between the upper panel and the display section is resilient.

12. A display device according to claim 3 wherein the device further comprises a hinge located between the upper panel and the display section.

13. A display device according to claim 3 wherein an area located between the upper panel and the display section is resilient.

14. A display device according to claim 6 wherein the device further comprises a hinge located between the upper panel and the display section and the support section in the operative position has the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel beneath and adjacent the hinge between the upper panel and the display section.

15. A display device according to claim 6 wherein an area located between the upper panel and the display section is resilient and the support section in the operative position has the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel beneath and adjacent the area between the upper panel and the display section.

16. A display device according to claim 15 wherein the resilience of the area between the upper panel and the display section acts against the base panel, holding the front legs and the rear legs apart to a desired and an appropriate degree.

CONCLUSION

Applicant requests entry of the foregoing amendments for consideration on reissue. A clean copy, in reissue format, of the amended patent claims and the added claims is attached as EXHIBIT 1.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW THE CHANGES MADE

1. (Amended) A display device which has a storage position as a flat sheet and an operative position when folded, such display device comprising:

a flat sheet having a display section and a support section, the support section in the storage position including:

a base panel with two slots extending from the base panel to the display section;

an upper panel and a lower panel located between the two slots, a hinge being located between the upper panel and the lower panel [and a hinge being located between the upper panel and the display section] and a hinge being located between the lower panel and the base panel;

a pair of rear panels located adjacent the lower panel, a hinge being located between the rear panels and the base panel; and

a pair of front panels located adjacent the upper panel, a pair of hinges between the front panels and the rear panels, the hinges between the front panels and the rear panels being aligned with the hinge between the upper panel and the lower panel, the hinges between the rear panels and the base panel being aligned with the hinge between the lower panel and the base panel.

2. (Amended) A display device according to claim 1 wherein the support section in the operative position includes the following:

a hinge being located between the upper panel and the display section,

the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel being beneath and adjacent the hinge between the upper panel and the display section to form a rear leg; the rear panels being against the front panels forming a pair of front legs; and the base panel being against the rear leg to support the rear leg.

3. (Amended) A display device which has a storage position as a flat sheet and an operative position when folded, such display device comprising:

a flat sheet having a top edge and a bottom edge and two side edges, the sheet having a display section adjacent the top edge and a support section adjacent the bottom edge, the support section in the storage position including:
a base panel along the bottom edge and having two slots extending from the base panel to the display section;
an upper panel and a lower panel located between the two slots, [a hinge between the upper panel and the display section] and a hinge between the lower panel and the base panel;
a pair of rear panels located between the two side edges and the slots adjacent the lower panel, a hinge being located between the rear panels and the base panel; and

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panels and the base panel being aligned with the hinge between the lower panel and the base panel.

6. (Amended) A display device which has a storage position as a flat sheet and an operative position when folded, such display device comprising:

a flat sheet having a top edge and a bottom edge and two side edges, the sheet having a display section adjacent the top edge and a support section adjacent the bottom edge, the support section in the storage position including:

a base panel along the bottom edge and having two slots extending from the base panel to the display section;

an upper panel and a lower panel located between the two slots, [a hinge between the upper panel and the display section] and a hinge between the lower panel and the base panel and a hinge between the upper panel and the lower panel;

a pair of rear panels located between the two side edges and the slots adjacent the lower panel, a hinge being located between the rear panels and the base panel; and

a pair of front panels located between the two side edges and the slots adjacent the upper panel, a pair of hinges between the front panels and the rear panels, the hinge between the front panels and the rear panels being aligned with the hinge between the upper panel and the lower panel, the hinges between the rear panels and the base panel being aligned with the hinge between the lower panel and the base panel; and

the support section in the operative position having:

[the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel being beneath and adjacent the hinge between the upper panel and the display section] the lower panel being placed against the upper panel to form a rear leg; the rear panels being against the front panels forming a pair of front legs; and the base panel being against the rear leg to support the rear leg.

9. A display device according to claim 1 wherein the support section in the operative position includes the following:

an area located between the upper panel and the display panel,
the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel being beneath and adjacent to the area between the upper panel and the display panel to form a rear leg,
the rear panels being against the front panels forming a pair of front legs; and
the base panel being against the rear leg to support the rear leg,
the resilience of the area between the upper panel and the display section acting against the base panel, holds the front legs and the rear legs apart to a desired and an appropriate degree.

10. A display device according to claim 1 wherein the device further comprises a hinge located between the upper panel and the display section.

11. A display device according to claim 1 wherein an area located between the upper panel and the display section is resilient.

12. A display device according to claim 3 wherein the device further comprises a hinge located between the upper panel and the display section.

13. A display device according to claim 3 wherein an area located between the upper panel and the display section is resilient.

14. A display device according to claim 6 wherein the device further comprises a hinge located between the upper panel and the display section and the support section in the operative position has the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel beneath and adjacent the hinge between the upper panel and the display section.

15. A display device according to claim 6 wherein an area located between the upper panel and the display section is resilient and the support section in the operative position has the hinge between the base panel and the lower panel beneath and adjacent the area between the upper panel and the display section.

16. A display device according to claim 15 wherein the resilience of the area between the upper panel and the display section acts against the base panel, holding the front legs and the rear legs apart to a desired and an appropriate degree.

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STATUS OF CLAIMS

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SUPPORT FOR CLAIM CHANGES

STATUS OF CLAIMS

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.173 (c), the statues (i.e., pending or canceled), as of the date of the Preliminary Amendment, of all patent claims and of all added claims is as follows:

PATENT CLAIMS

CLAIM NUMBER	STATUS
1	Pending
2	Pending
3	Pending
4	Pending
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6	Pending
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ADDED CLAIMS

CLAIM NUMBER	STATUS
9	Pending
10	Pending
11	Pending
12	Pending
13	Pending
14	Pending
15	Pending
16	Pending

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (c), the support in the disclosure of the patent for the changes made to the claims is as follows:

PATENT CLAIMS

CLAIM NUMBER	SUPPORT IN DISCLOSURE OF THE PATENT
1	Column 3, lines 26 & 27; column 3, lines 32-35; Column 3, line 55-column 4, line 30
2	Column 3, lines 34 & 35; column 3, line 55-Column 4, line 30
3	Column 3, lines 26 & 27; Column 3, lines 32-37; Column 3, line 55-column 4 line 30
6	Column 3, lines 26 & 27; Column 3, lines 32-37; Column 3, line 55-column 4, line 30, including, in particular, column 4, lines 4-6.

ADDED CLAIMS

9	Column 3, lines 34-38; Column 3, lines 55-Column 4, lines 30; claim 2.
10	Column 3, lines 34 & 35
11	Column 3, lines 34 & 35; Column 4, line 13
12	Column 3, lines 34 & 35
13	Column 3, lines 34 & 35; Column 4, line 13
14	Column 3, lines 34 & 35; claim 6
15	Column 3, lines 34 & 35; Column 4, line 13; claim 16
16	Column 3, lines 34 & 35; column 4, lines 13-16